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WERDEL AFTER 85% COTTON DEAL

Support of cotton allotment legislation that will give California cotton farmers a base allotment equal to 85 per cent of the 1948 plantings, or 668,000 acres, was voiced by Congressman Tom Werdel this week when he appeared before the Agricultural committee of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Werdel stated that "while under this proposed legislation, California cotton growers will not receive as high a base acreage allotment in 1952 as they had hoped, the bill offers the best possible compromise in the closing days of this session of Congress.

Less Acreage

"Under the Agricultural Adjustment act of 1938, which will be effective unless this bill is passed, California cotton growers would receive a base allotment of less than 400,000 acres.

"If, in 1952, it appears that this legislation is inequitable, California cotton farmers will ask for a review of the legislation and a correction of any inequities that might develop."

Mr. Werdel further points out

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Merritt Ranch Melons To Move

Picking of honeydew melons is expected to start next week at the E. W. Merritt ranch, south of Poplar, where over 80 acres of melons are under cultivation this year.

The crop will be packed at the Merritt shed at Tipton. Shipments, under the market brand of "Merritt's Blue Ribbon," will go primarily to eastern markets, although some sales will be made on the Pacific coast.

Planting of the melons is staggered so that production will continue throughout the balance of the summer and into the early fall. The Merritt honeydew acreage is probably the largest in Tulare county.

Triplets

Triplet heifer calves were born this week at the Frank Rocha dairy on Los Robles avenue northwest of Porterville.

The calves are Holsteins and the mother set some sort of record, since last year she produced twins.

ELECTION THAT FORMED COUNTY WAS HELD UNDER THIS OAK TREE



ON JULY 10, 1852, an election was held under this tree to establish the county of Tulare. Picture of the tree, which still stands east of Visalia was copied from a postcard that was mailed to Mrs. Etta P. Hall, of Porterville, from Orosi in December of 1907 and given to us, recently, by Mrs. Hall.

MARKER WILL BE PLACED SUNDAY AT TULARE COUNTY ELECTION TREE

An official California Centenial marker, designating the tree under which an election was held on July 10, 1852, to establish the county of Tulare, will be placed by the Tulare County Historical society next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock near the "Election Tree" that stands just below Venice hill east of Visalia.

Only a brief ceremony will be held, since no parking area exists near the tree. The marker will be similar to others being placed by the county historical society throughout Tulare County.

Actually Tulare County originated at Mariposa, where, early in

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SUCCESS INDICATED IN THINNING OF PLUMS AND PEACHES BY SPRAY

(Courtesy The Exeter Sun)

Slow and costly thinning of plums and peaches by hand may soon be completely outdated by a revolutionary use of sprays which can perform the same work at on-sixth of the cost.

Experiments going on in the Exeter district and other parts of the county under the direction of the Agricultural Extension Service have proved so successful this year that next spring the farm advisor's office will recommend use of sprays for thinning three varieties of plums — Beauties, Duartes and Wicksons.

C. A. Farris, assistant farm advisor for Tulare county and specialist in deciduous fruits, who with A. D. Rizzi, formerly assistand farm advisor in this county have pioneered the use of sprays for thinning, in an interview this week described the process.

Must Be Supervised

In stating that use of spray thinning will be recommended for certain varieties of plums, Ferris emphasized that spray must be used only on the three varieties named and must be used only under supervision of the Agricultural Extension Service. He said that those who want to use it next spring when plums are in bloom may get in touch with him and he will supervise the operation.

He pointed out that experiments on spraying peaches in the bloom had varied results, and no

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Cattle Screened

Clem Larson of Chicago, a member of the staff of "The Shorthorn World," was in Porterville, and other Tulare county towns last week, to inspect Shorthorn cattle that will be offered for sale at Madera in October.

The Madera event will be the annual sale and show of the California Shorthorn Breeders association.

RECORD-BREAKING SESSION OF CENTENNIAL LEGISLATURE IS DISCUSSED BY WILLIAMS

Record breaking session of the centennial California legislature that closed this week, reached the peak of a trend that has been continuing for several years, according to State Senator J. Howard Williams, Porterville—a trend toward the introduction of more and more bills each session, lengthing of the legislative sessions and the spending of more and more money.

Mr. Williams pointed out that about 5,000 bills were introduced, with 1,695 of these passing the legislature and going to Governor Earl Warren for signature. The session was the longest in histroy —145 days and the state budget hit a record high of $1,036,000,000 for the 1949-50 fiscal year.

Concerning the budget, Mr. Williams stated that only $233,000,000 is under legislative control, balance coming from measures that have been written into the state constitution and from the actions of previous legislatures. High point was reached in 1946-48 when measurers costing $350,000,000 became law.

Special Election

An important piece of legisla-

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Upper Tule Water District Petitions Ready

Petitions asking formation of the Upper Tule River County Water district are now ready to be circulated, assording to Victor V. Bowker, chairman of a committee that has been working for some time on a district water plan for the area along the upper Tule.

Maps, to go with petitions, are now being prepared. Theproposed district is roughly triangular in shape, extending from a point about a mile above Worth bridge to the municipal airport on the south, to Zante on the north and following at about the 600 foot contour along the foothills.

The area totals 14,000 acres, about half of which is not now irrigated. The committee is asking 10 cents an acre from farmers in the proposed district to defray organization costs. Heavily populated areas within the general boundaries, are excluded from the district.

Concerning the district, Mr. Bowker stated, "Obviously, supple-

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COUNTY BOYS TO R. M. PYLES SUMMER CAMP

Ten Tulare county boys will leave Saturday for an outing at the R. M. Pyles summer camp on the Kern river, with Alvin Muche, of Terra Bella, in charge of the group. Arrangements were made by George Carter, Tulare county juvenile probation officer.

The group will be the first from the county to visit the camp. Several groups from southern California have been given vacation trips.

Two camps have been placed in operation by Mr. Pyles, a Huntington Beach oil man, for the benefit of under privileged children. One is located just below Angel Flight, the other at the lower end of Kern flats.

First Water Flows Saturday

Ten thousand people from Tulare county alone are expected to be on hand Saturday afternoon when valves on Friant dam will be opened to let the first water into the Friant-Kern canal of the Central Valley project.

Noted speakers at the historic event will include California Governor Earl Warren and Leslie McLellan, chief engineer for the bureau of reclamation. A number of Tulare county leaders in water affairs will participate in the program; general chairman of the celebration is Irvin Althouse, Porterville engineer.

At 3 P. M., Sunday, July 10, Orange Cove will celebrate the arrival of canal water with the First Annual Orange Cove District Water festival.

Packers

With five wins and four losses in a nine-game home stand, the Porterville Packers moved out Wednesday morning to play series with Las Vegas, Reno and Salinas, before returning to Porterville July 15 to meet El Centro then San Bernadino.

The Packers lowered the boom on Reno, 8-6 Tuesday evening in the home finale, when Manager Tommy Lloyd dropped two out of the park and Earl Hockstetter lined one over the right field fence.

Tuesday was officially Woodville and Jack McClung night, and Mr. McClung obliged by pitching a winner.

MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, YES OR NO?

Pros and cons of a mosquito abatement district along the eastern edge of Tulare county, including the communities of Lindsay, Strathmore, Porterville, Terra Bella, Ducor and Richgrove, have been discussed from time to time by civic groups in the these communities, however, the question has usually been allowed to slide by without much definite comment ony way or another.

Consequently, we are herewith presenting a few facts concerning mosquitoes and mosquito abatement districts and at the same time are asking that you check the straw ballot and mail it to The Farm Tribune to give an idea of public opinion on the question of mosquito abatement.

In the southeastern Tulare county area, three types of disease can be born my mosquitoes —malaria, encephalitis and equine encephalomyelitis. In addition to the disease-bearing mosquitoes, the troublesome field mosquitoes and house mosquitoes also exist.

Two Districts

At the present time, Tulare county has two abatement districts: The Tulare (562 square miles) and the Delta (702 square miles.) Experience in these districts indicate that satisfactory control of mosquitoes can be attained through district operation.

A mosquito abatement district can be formed by the county board of supervisors, following prescribed public hearings, upon presentation of petitions bearing signatures representing 10 per cent of the number of votes cast for state governor in the last gubernatorial election. Before an incorporated city can be included, request must be made by the city's governing body.

Once formed, the district is controlled by a board of not less

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STRAW VOTE

Are you in favor of the establishing of a Mosquito Abatement District through the communities of Lindsay, Strathmore, Porterville, Terra Bella, Ducor and Richgrove? Are you opposed to such a district? We would like to know the opinion of persons residing in this area.

☐ I believe a mosquito abatement district should be formed.

☐ I am opposed to formation of a mosquito abatement district.

Please mail your ballot to The Farm Tribune, 522 North Main street, Porterville, Calif.

RAYMOND HUSTED PRAISES SHOW IN LIVESTOCK JOURNAL COLUMN

High praise of the Secand Annual Tulare County Junior Livestock Show and Community fair, held in Porterville in May, was given by Raymond Husted, beef cattle specialist with the Western Livestock Journal, in his June column, "Roaming With Raymond."

Mr. Husted, who acted as beef cattle judge for the Porterville show, and who is one of the leading judges of and authorities on beef cattle in the west, had this to say about the fair:

"The Porterville, Calif., Junior show, May 13 and 14, was a dandy. This show is put on strictly as a Tulare county project, and is financed entirely by an interested group of Porterville businessmen and livestock men of that section of Tulare county—no race track money or other state funds are used . . .

"An auction sale of a selected group of steers. lambs and hogs was held on Saturday, and the sale committee did a swell job, lining up a very good bunch of entries. The prices paid all the way through for the steers were the best I have seen this year (in fact for some time) at a junior show.

"The grand champion steer, a smooth well-fleshed Polled Hereford, shown by Sandra Fains-

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Success Indicated In Thinning Of Plums And Peaches By Spray

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conclusions have been reached.

He emphasized that for certain varieties of plums, experiments are also inconclusive.

"We tried the same dosage on Santa Rosas that we found worked well on Beauties," Ferris said, "and ended up with only a hatful of plums on the Santa Rosa trees."

The sprays used in thinning fruit while trees are in bloom are not hormone sprays, but are dinitro sprays which have a caustic action, burning a certain number of blossoms in such a way that they are not fertilized and thus do not produce fruit. A certain amount of hand thinning is always necessary to complete the job, Ferris said. Experiments in Tulare county have not born out conclusions gained in experiments elsewhere regarding the factors that enter into thinning of fruit. Orchards sprayed long past the peak of bloom and after fertilization had taken place showed good results.

Use of sprays to thin fruit started in New York in 1940 when apple growers began to use sprays to reduce the amount of fruit per tree. Not only did the sprays cheapen the cost of thinning, but the trees benefitted from the fact that there was a reduction in the amount of fruit set. Varieties which had a tendency to produce crops only every other year were found to produce every year when sprays were used in thinning.

The practice then spread across the continent to Washington, where apple producers found it beneficial.

Rizzi pioneered spray thinning in California and on plums and peaches in 1947 when he used a knapsack sprayer to thin on a small scale. Last year he increased the number of experimental plots and used a power sprayer, attempting both plums and peaches.

Results on Beauty, Duarte and Wickson plums in the 1948 experiments were very good, but Rizzi decided that the same dosage on peaches was a little too severe. This year, with Rizzi advanced to a state job, Ferris carried on in this county, using power sprayers to apply the spray in 47 test plots of plums and peaches. In addition, seven or eight growers tried spray thinning on their own.

Costs Are Charted

Because this year there was a heavy set of deciduous fruit because of the cold winter preceding, it was felt that the results of the present tests are fairly conclusive. Some growers paid from $500 to $700 an acre to thin their fruit, and then many reported much small fruit.

One of the most successful applications of sprays in thinning was made by C. E. Pennebaker of Exeter on five acres of Beauties which have been harvested. Pennebaker left a sufficient number of check trees in the orchard for hand thinning to obtain comparative cost figures.

Application of the spray used in thinning, materials and labor, cost only 10 cents a tree, and in addition it cost about 40 cents a tree to hand thin after the fruit had set on these trees. Trees not treated with spray cost a total of $2.88 to hand thin, compared to only 50 cents for those sprayed. Harold Swall of Tulare, another grower, reported a six-fold savings in thinning costs by use of sprays.

Pennebaker reported the sizes in his orchard were as good as any he had ever produced, and he was highly pleased.

Ferris said that concentration of the ingredients in the mixture has more effect than the amount of spray applied to the tree. He also said that next year, thinning sprays will be applied shoulder high, and the drip and drift will take care of the lower branches.

Regarding peaches, Ferris said that he has been conducting experiments on five varieties this year, including freestones and clings, and indications are that the results will not be the same as those obtained by Rizzi. Ferris said the peach experiment is successful so far, but because of the difference in the results this year and last, more experimentation must be done before there will be any recommendation made.

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that the apparent surplus of cotton that will exist at the end of this season will force the secretary of agriculture to apply the 1938 act unless the pending legislation is passed.

Must Choose

"I believe," Mr. Werdel said, "that California is in the position of having to choose between two proposals, one of which will be completely destructive of our cotton industry; namely the present law passed in 1938, and the proposed law which recognizes the shift in acreage to California." Mr. Werdel also urged retention of the small grower provision of the proposed new law.

Representing southern valley cotton growers in connection with cotton legislation are Leland Martin, Tulare county, California Farm Bureau Federation; W. L. Smith, Kern county, California Grange and Fred Sherrill, Kings county, Western Cotton Growers association.

Record-Breaking Session Of Centennial Legislature Discussed By Williams

tion was the setting of November 8 as date of a special election when a proposition to float a $250,000,000 bond issue for building of school facilities in improverished districts of the state will be presented to state voters.

At the same time, it is likely that repeal of Proposition No. 4 will be on the ballot, also measurers that will repeal several obsolete sections of the state constitution.

The well-publicized 2120 school aid bill passed, however, no provision was made for raising the necessary $36,000,000 to finance the measure, However, formula by which state school funds are disbursed was changed, so that districts, particularly Los Angeles, will get slightly more money if their assessed valuation has been raised.

Administration

In event the school bond issue carries, provision for administration of the funds voted is made in Senate Bill 850.

Also voted at the session was increased benefits for teachers, however, it will not become effective until next year and nearly $6,000,000 was appropriated to continue for one year operation of child care centers.

Approved were limited hospital benefits of $8 a day for 12 days in connection with state disability insurance; initial steps were taken for moving the state fair grounds at Sacramento; state centennial celebration commission funds were cut for the year from $821,000 to $400,000; the Warren crime commission was continued and $500,000 was appropriated for research into the cause and cure of rheumatic fever.

Interim Committees

A number of interim committees were authorized, with actual appointments to these committees to be announced the end of this month, according to Mr. Williams.

Some controvery was stirred up concerning the Joint Interim Committee on Water, which, among other things, will investigate into and report on the feasibility of the state of California taking over from the federal government the Central Valley project.

SPORT SLANTS



By BILL WHITE, JR.

Want to be a sure-fire sports predictor? A Pottstown, Pa., man had an unbeatable system, until the F. B. I. out-guessed him. This lad was winning contests forecasting football, baseball and basketball scores so often it seemed as though he had a crystal ball for a head. He worked in a postoffice, but when he got tired of playing postoffice he'd stamp a few envelopes in advance; then as a game was over he'd write down the score, slip it in a pre-dated envelope and send it to the judges. He couldn't lose from winning. Next to counting on your fingers is was the simplest computing method on record. Instead of carrying the mail, the mail was carrying him. He began hitting the jackpot so often he got write-ups in national magazines, and the F. B. I. got interested. So if you're looking for an unbeatable system, this is it. The Pottstown man won't be using it for a good while.

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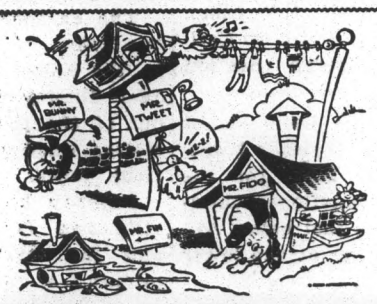
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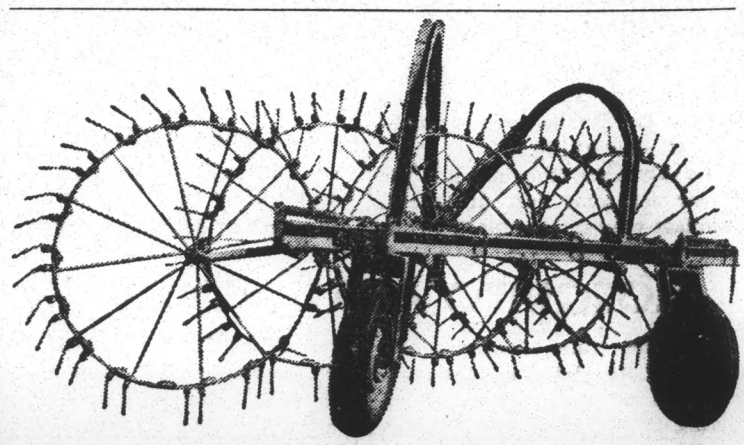
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On Tuesday evening about 9 o'clock, as little Minnie Carrol was crossing Main through Mill street, one of the mountain lions which Fred had out for an airing outside the saloon, broke away from the janitor, and, making for the girl, would probably have left the marks of its claws upon her but for her alertness is getting away.

Doubtless the animal wanted to play, but a lion's play is pretty rough at the best of times, although we cannot speak from experience, never having got on a jamboree with anything of that sort; anyhow, the leonine pet got away and ran toward our office, its keeper following in close pursuit, to such effect that it was captured very soon after its escape.

But we wish to say that considering the many escapades of these brutes, it is about time that Tom Simmons got rid of them, as they are bound to hurt someone after awhile. Of course, whilst they were kittens, they were pretty safe, but breed will show, and if they are not disposed of, they will do some damage, and, of course, Tom will be responsible and will have to pay the piper.

W. L. Grimsley, of Woodville, passed through here Wednesday. He is rustling for J. F. Moore of Tulare for wheat to thresh. He says the wheat between here and Tulare is in fine condition, some of it averaging eight sacks to the acre.

He states that he will organize an Odd Fellows lodge at Woodville. The hall is built and Senator Roth will no doubt be the Noble Grand.

Go to W. H. James' for the 4th of July for fire-crackers. His are the cheapest and best. Crack! Bang! Swish!

The flouring mill will be started up by Manter brothers as soon as repairs can be made.

The Frasier road in the mountains is closed to travel. Tourists and health seekers will govern themselves accordingly.

Plano gives two nights next week to revelry, and will have a dance on the 3rd and 5th. The little town across the river is blooded, sure pop.

The depots all along the east side line of the railroad are surrounded by grain and warehouses are being built to store the same, as the railway facilities are so cramped that it will be sometime before it can be shipped.

We visited the residence of H. B. Hockett, on Gum street, yesterday, which has just been completed. Mr. Hockett and family are to be congratulated on having one of the most beautiful homes in Porterville.

Gustave Stanley, the proprietor of the Bear show that visited our town Thursday, last, was arrested by Constable Rose for giving exhibitions of his animals without paying a license first. He pleaded guilty to the offense and Judge Redd fined him $1 and $21.50 costs. The money was paid.

Henry Murphy, of Cramer, experimented with New York diamond rye this year, which proved a success; the average height was seven and a half feet and the length of the heads are over seven inches; will average 10 tons of hay to the acre and about 100 bushels of rye.

The river is getting pretty low now, and fish are scarce.

M. B. Crawford is preparing to convey passengers and visitors to any part of our mountain and hill resorts. Call upon him, his teams are good and his conveyences comfortable.

Canal Progresses

The Friant-Kern canal is now 57 per cent complete, according to a release from the Sacramento office of the bureau of reclamation. Along the 153-mile canal, 75 miles are reported completed, to the St. Johns river.

Forty-two miles are under construction and contracts for the remaining 36 miles will be let in the near future.

DEADLINE EXTENDED

Deadline for filing proof of work on mining claims in Tulare county has been extended from July 1 to August 1, according to Walter Sunkel, county recorder.

Salary Change

Initial steps toward the drafting of a new salary ordinance for county employees has been taken by the Tulare county board of supervisors.

Inequalities in the existing ordinance have been claimed on a number of cases in the past. A survey concerning a new ordinance by the state personnel board will be requested.

Farm Tribune Ads Get Results!

SOIL REACTION DETERMINES PROFITABLE CROP

By WM. E. GILFILLAN
Farm Advisor

Soil reaction, or the degree of acidity or alkalinity of the soil, often determines the crops a farmer can grow profitably. The soil reaction depends mainly on the amount of rain, the nature of the rock in the soil, and the drainage.

The degree of acidity of alkalinity of the soil is shown by the use of the term pH. This merely indicates how many hydrogen inos are in the soil. If a soil is exactly neutral, it is shown as pH 7. Values below 7.0 mean the soil is acid, and those above 7.0 are alkaline. When the pH is known, the soil reaction can be changed by the use of commercial fertilizers.

Two methods are most commonly used to determine soil pH. The most accurate method is the glass electrode. For approximately tests, however, colored solutions are added to dry or moist soil directly in the field and the resulting color compared with a color chart showing the pH values.

A new bulletin called "Reaction of California Soils," will help farmers with problems of soil reaction. The pH value of the soil must be known in crop production, soil management and conservation, and in making fertilizers. The bulletin shows how to secure this information, and also shows, by maps and charts, the distribution of California soils according to their reaction.

Free copies of the bulletin are available upon request at the County Agricultural Extension Service office, Post Office Bldg., Visalia.

DIVORCE ASKED

Mrs. Ruby S. Blackwell, of Porterville, is seeking a divorce from Earl Blackwell, who she married 31 years ago in Arkansas.



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Summer Camp Registrations Being Taken For Camp Fire Girls Friday And Saturday

Registrations for the Camp Fire Girls summer camp that will be held at Camp Tulequoia on Lake Sequoia July 23-30, are being taken Friday and Saturday of this week at the City hall in Porterville.

Both members of the Camp Fire Girls organization and non-members are invited to attend the summer session. Fee is $12 for members; $15 for non-members.

Miss Madeline Cochran and Miss Vera Chism, of Tulare, are director and assistant director of the camp. Activities will include swimming, hiking, nature study, hand crafts and group singing around the night campfire.

Brands Requested By Cow Belles Of Kern County

A request is being made this week that cattlemen of the state get copies of their brands to the Kern County Cow Belles in order that they may be used in an All Beef cook book as page decorations.

Mrs. Marguerite Follansbee, Box 242, Bakersfield, who is in charge of collecting brands for the books, states that all brands must be in by July 10. A charge of $2.50 per brand is being made by the book committee.

The committee is also gathering and testing recipes for beef preparation submitted by women throughout the state. A number of prizes are offered for various types of recipes, which should be sent to Mrs. Cora Oakley, Caliente, California.

Cottage Cheese Ice Box Cake Is Summer Dessert

Cool, nourishing and not too rich, the dessert given here is ideal for summer weather. For a smaller amount, halve the recipe, using 2 eggs. Stale cake crumbs can be substituted for the cracker crumbs if desired, and a few chopped nuts add flavor.

Cottage Cheese Ice Box Cake

2 T Gelatin (2 envelopes)
3 eggs
2 lemons (juice and rind)
¼ tsp. salt
1 lb. cottage cheese (1 pt.)
1 c cold water
1½ c sugar
2 c ground cracker or vanilla wafer crumbs
½ c melted butter or margarine
4 tsp. sugar
1 tsp. cinnamon
½ pint cream, unwhipped

Mix crumbs, butter and cinnamon and let stand. Soften gelatin in ½ cup cold water and set in hot water to melt. Put cottage cheese through seive. Separate eggs. Beat egg whites until stiff. Add ½ cup water to egg yolks and cook in double boiler until thick, stirring constantly to prevent lumping.

Stir in lemon, gelatin and cheese. Cook two or three minutes longer. Beat well and cool. Fold beaten egg whites and whipped cream. Line pan with crumb mixture. Pour in cheese and sprinkle a few crumbs on top. Chill in refrigerator for several hours. (serves 10-12.)

81-Year-Old Woman Returns To France By Air

Mme. Marie Lamothe left the Porterville home of her daughter Mrs. Catherine Lahargoue last week to return to her home in the Southern part of France. She left San Francisco Saturday evening by airplane and arrived in Paris Monday.

By airplane she arrived in San Francisco last July; later her visa was extended that the return be made in the summer season. When she came, the little French lady wore the black dress and kerchief; but as she left she wore a new American silk dress of subdued dark color and a corsage of gardenias; but on her head was the round black cap of her native costume.

She is 81 years old; but of a snap-shot taken of her she said gayly; "I look like a girl of eighteen." She has had a big experience in this visit to her children in California: J. P. Lamothe of Coalinga, Mathew Lamothe of Menlo Park, and Mrs. Lahargoue of Porterville. She has done more traveling seeing California than many native Californians.

There were grandchildren near Los Angeles and San Diego and sisters in Merced; besides French friends in the Bay region. Recent callers to bid her goodbye were Mrs. Lahargoue's children: John Lahargoue of Porterville, Mrs. Herschell Root of Tulare, Bernard and Lawrence Lahargoue of Coalinga and Andre Lahargoue of Taft and daughter Marie of Los Angeles, and their several families and Mrs. Madeline Flory and daughter Mrs. Miramon, and Mrs. J. B. Bilhou, whose relatives are French neighbors.

Mme. Lamothe speaks only French and patois; but added a few English words "Thank you", "Goodbye," etc. The greatest thrill is the air journey. With an upward gesture of her hands and a twinkle in her eyes she exclaimed in French: "Up in the air again".

In Barn Cast



BARBARA WALLACE, Fresno, who captivates the heart of Henry Aldrich, played by Richard Ebbert, in the Barn Theater running July 14 through 17 and July 21 through 23.

"Torch-Bearers" Books Additional Theater Runs

"The Torch-Bearers" current production of Porterville's Barn theater has been scheduled for additional run over the coming week-end, according to Director Pete Tewksbury.

New dates for the comedy satire on Little Theater activities, are July 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Air Lines

Three air lines have expressed an interest in establishing a service into Porterville, according to Cecil Cook, municipal airport manager.

The lines are: Trans American Airways, Inc., California Central Airlines and Channel Airlines.

COLLECTION SUIT IS FILED

A collection action against Mr. and Mrs. Sam Caskey, of Woodville, has been filed in Superior court through Attorney Guy Knupp, Jr., by the Central Business Bureau of Porterville.

It alleges that the Caskeys became indebted to the Woodville Gin company on open book accounts over a period of four years, prior to Dec. 26, 1947. The ginning company turned the account over to the business bureau for collection. It amounts to $1,333.83 with 7 per cent interest from Dec. 26, 1948.

QUIET TITLE ASKED

A quite title action was filed this week by D. E. Symons and Eileen Symons over property in the second subdivision of the Pioneer Land Company. Named as defendents in the civil action are H. H. Buckingham, Florence Buckingham, J. S. MacDonald, and J. C. Martell. Virgil Dowell is attorney for the plaintiff.

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Concrete steps toward establishing a textile industry in the San Joaquin valley were taken this week when a state-wide meeting of interested persons was held in Bakersfield under direction of the Central Valley Empire association.

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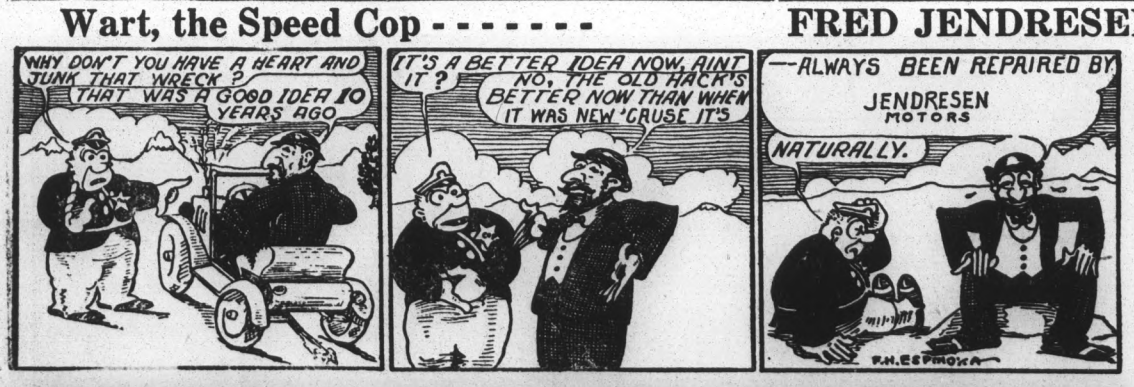


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Another Story About Tailholt Recounted By Pioneer Resident Of Porterville

(The following communication was addressed to the Tulare County Historical Society, following the recent dedication of a Centennial marker at White River, by the Rev. J. A. Milligan, pioneer minister, civic leader and gusiness man of Porterville.)

It was interesting to hear from one of the speakers at the dedicatory ceremonies of The Memorial Plaque at White River, Sunday, May 15, 1949, under the auspices of the Tulare County Historical Society, as to the origin of the name, "Tailholt".

This was to the effect that a certain miner had, as an attachment on his cabin door to lift the latch, or the bolt to be drawn, a part of a cow's tail, and the invitation for friends was to, "Just pull the tail and walk in."

This is interesting, at least, as indicating the hospitality of the Poneer days, and this characterestic of the early settlers is more worthy of being remembered and honored than the craze over gold in the hills and the pranks and passtimes of merry-makers. Many a wayfarer was fed a meal and enjoyed a bed in the homes of the dwellers in the hill country without thought of remuneration by the entertainer.

This other short tale about the origin of the name, "Tailholt" that might be considered as reasonable was given to me by Oldtimers, to the effect that it originated by the fact that the village was situated at the foot of the steep grade, leading up to the principal mines and to Glenville and the mining town of Kernville.

It was a common thing for miners or others with pack animals when they reached heavy grades on trail or road to drive the animal ahead and take hold of the tail to help the climb.

I have done this many a time in the mountains.

This, too, has its lesson. The need we have at times to have help and often help comes from our friends in the animal kingdom. A companionship in service twixt man and beast.

In the loneliness of the mining camp, or in the wierd life of the prospector in desert wastes, or with the solitary shepherd near his flock in his tent in the night hours, the friendly neigh of his horse, or even the bray of his donkey is sweet music in his ears. Certainly the pleasant memories of the early days was in association with animal friends as well as humans. The faithful dog; the patient horse. The enjoyment of horseback rides and in the cozy buggy behind a spanking team, so well trained and safe as to make the buggy-ride a place of courtship. More than one match was made in the drives to the Saturday evening's dance at White River.

Before ending this tale it is worthy of mention that the things more valuable than gold have not passed away, even though the gold has fled and Tailholt has become a "Ghost Town".

In the homes founded here, happy families lived and loved and children came and sojourned for a time, growing up, to manhood and womanhood, and then went out into the big world into various spheres of service. Not like the gold that went out into the stream of world trade without happy memories, but like the flowers upon the hillsides that share their perennial beauty and fragrance with all who come in contact with them, the relatives and descendents of the White River Pioneers, many of them are at work in our clubs and our lodges, in our schools and in our churches and our community activities, doing their part in the work of character building and community improvement.

Religious privileges were few, no church building, but Sunday School and occasional preaching was held in the schoolhouse. Social and recreational facilities were also limited, depending upon local ingenuity and initative. The hotel home of Mrs. Mitchell was the center of these activities and the seed sown in the lives of the young people bore good fruit.

Yes. Tailholt, the town, has vanished.
But, the rocks and the rills
And the tree-clad hills
In their green robes of spring,
Or in autumn's rich brown,
Remain in their splendor
Around the Ghost Town . . .

So that White River—the district—will not only be a place of sacred memory, to many who have lived there, but will continue a place of interest to all who may pass that way.

Orange Program

Approval of amendments to the California-Arizona orange marketing order has been granted by a grower referendum, it was announced this week from the United States department of agriculture.

Principal changes provide for the marketing by handlers of early maturity or short life oranges of a percentage of such fruit equal to the percentage of total fruit to be marked by all handlers; regulating the handling of oranges marketed within California and Arizona; addition of provisions permitting the issuance of size regulations; and increasing the committee adinistering the program to 11 members.

In the referendum conducted from March 7th to April 5th these amendments were favored by 76 percent of the fruit represented in the voting. The result includes the ballots cast by cooperative marketing associations for their members who did not withdraw for voting purposes.

POSTOFFICE REOPENED

Logging operations have resulted in the reopening of the postoffice at Clareville, on Piute mountain in the southeastern portion of the Sequoia Forest, after a lapse of 50 years.

Governor Earl Warren has stated that he will not be a candidate for United States Senate under any circumstances in 1950.

TULARE POPULATION SET AT 12,153

As a result of a special federal cencus, the population of the city of Tulare has been set at 12,153 persons. Tulare residents claim this figure makes Tulare the largest city in the county.

FEWER TOWNSHIPS?

Under consideration by the Tulare county board of supervisors is reduction of the number of townships in the county, with those townships that are not supporting themselves to be consolidated with those that are to reduce the number from 13 to eight or nine.

Farm Tribune Ads Get Results

SCHOOL HEAD

Named as principal of Washington Elementary school in Lindsay is E. M. Peckinpaugh, a teacher in Lindsay since 1928. He replaces F. Ewing Bone, who has accepted a position in San Rafael.

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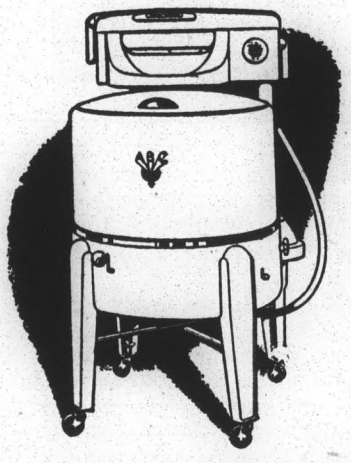
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REPUTATION OF FAIR IN PORTERVILLE SPREAD THROUGHOUT WESTERN STATES

We are reprinting, this week, the comments of Raymond Husted concerning the Second Annual Tulare County Junior Livestock show and Community fair held last May in Porterville.

We suggest that you read them, and, while reading bear in mind that Mr. Husted is beef cattle specialist for the Western Livestock Journal; that the notes concerning the Porterville show appeared in Mr. Husted's Journal column, "Roaming With Raymond" and that the Western Livestock Journal is circulated throughout the western states and is probably the top magazine in its category.

Further bear in mind that Mr. Husted, during the period of a year, visits many fairs, livestock shows and sales throughout the west; that during his lifetime he has seen actually thousands of such events; that he is rated by livestock men as one of the top judges of and authorities on beef cattle in the western states, and remember that Mr. Husted was in a position to know exactly what he was talking about, since he judged the beef cattle in the Porterville show.

Now, this is our point.

When Mr. Husted praises the Porterville show as highly as he did, it is a compliment to the entire community and to Tulare county as well. And if the show rates so high with Mr. Husted, certainly that should be another incentive to continue to build this show and make it better as the years go by. Even now, after only two years, the Tulare County Junior Livestock show in Porterville, in the opinion of a man who knows, rates with the best of the small shows in the west.

Through Mr. Husted's column, the name of Porterville and of Tulare county was spread throughout the west. That in itself can be looked upon as an important premium for the Second Annual Tulare County Junior Livestock Show and Community fair.

After all of which we can only observe that right now is the time to start pointing toward a bigger, better show next year, or if you want to put it that way, "Another nifty in 1950."

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CLAIM SETTLED

Settlement of a disputed claim for damages in the amount of $5,000 was made in Superior court this week at behest of Max K. Jamison, Porterville attorney in favor of his client, Edward Schmidt of Porterville. Suit was against Kern county as the result of an accident near Gorman last December involving the Schmidt car and one driven by Kern County Deputy Sheriff Walter Hughes.



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Milestones in the newspaper business are changes in volume numbers—a volume being one year's publication. The Farm Tribune this week passes another milestone; changes its volume number and goes into its third year of publication.

NO COMMENT

A man lived by the road and sold hot dogs.
He was hard of hearing so he had no radio.
He had trouble with his eyes so he read no newspapers.
But he sold good hot dogs.
He put up signs on the highway telling how good they were.
He stood by the side of the road and cried, "Buy a hot dog, mister," and people bought.
He increased his meat and bun orders.
He bought a bigger stove to take care of his trade.
He got his son from college to help him.
But then something happened. . .
His son said, "Father, haven't you been listening to the radio?
"There's a depression on.
"The European situation is terrible.
"The domestic situation is worse."
Whereupon the father thought, "Well my son's been to college.
"He reads the papers and he listens to the radio and he ought to know."
So the father cut down on his meat and bun orders.
Took down his advertising signs,
And no longer bothered to stand out on the highway to sell hot dogs.
And his hot dog sales fell almost over night.
"You're right, son" the father said to the boy.
"We certainly are in the middle of a great depression."

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IDEAS

Fourth of July visitor was Joe Doctor of The Exeter Sun, a character with whom we attended Porterville college more than a few years ago and later followed back to the University of Kansas. During the course of some scintillating conversation concerning problems of the world, the aforementioned Mr. Doctor stated that wealth and riches are waiting for the man who can design improve-on small things used in every day life, for instances the man who designs a digestible safety pin. (Think of the peace-of-mind such an item would bring to young mothers. And you might even add vitamins to it.) Our pet get-rich-quick ieda is a set of square utensils, designed to fit a refrigerator. (Conventional utensils waste at least 40 per cent of the space available.) Mr. Doctor countered with pots and pans, made of aluminum foil, that could be disposed of when the meal is cooked, thereby eliminating washing, then added that entire meals could be packaged in such a pot and prepared without opening, by merely placing the pot on the fire. Not to be outdone, we suggested a three-prong fork, with no sharp corners, that would tend to shed food particles rather than retain them. (Ever get a restaurant fork with egg in the cornes?) . . . Maybe the heat was responsible, but there's the ideas, and none of them are patented. Just pick out the one you like, go to work on it and make yourself a million.

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JOHN ADOLPH NELSON
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ROSCOE MAXMILLIAN LAND

State of California
County of Tulare — ss:

On this 20th day of June, 1949 before me, Gaylord N. Hubler, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared John Adolph Nelson, Edgar Burnell Nelson and Roscoe Maxmillian Land, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal. (SEAL)

GAYLORD N. HUBLER
Notary Public in and for said County and State
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HOPPER TO SIGN

Ted Hopper, Porterville, who started the season as catcher for the Riverside club of the Sunset league, will be given a chance to sign with the Seattle Rainiers of the Pacific Coast league in 1950. Seattle is now looking for a class D league berth for Hopper, meanwhile paying his board and room in the south.

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Upper Tule Water District Petitions Ready

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mental water is needed to fully develop the agricultural land around Porterville. Also, it is becoming clear that the Friant-Kern canal supply of water will not begin to fill the need for water in the valley.

"Our committee feels we must organize as a district to negotiate for all the water we might need, or we'll have to forget about further agricultural development.

Only an organized district can negotiate of contract for Friant-Kern water. Only an organized district can secure protection for us and for our so-called vested rights in our present underground reservoir."

Persons who are willing to circulate petitions in their neighborhoods should contact Mr.Bowker, telephone, 31-W-1 Porterville.

Barn Presents Richard Ebbert In "What A Life"

Richard Ebbert, Porterville, who has played a number of supporting roles in Barn theater productions, will be starred as Henry Aldrich in the theater's version of Clifford Goldsmith's comedy, "What A Life," opening July 14 for a run through July 17 and continuing from July 21 through 23.

Mr. Ebbert appeared last season in summer stock with the Franklin Trask Productions on Cape Cod, where he was associated with Diana Barrymore and Freddie Bratholomew. He also directed a production of "Junior Miss" at the Priscilla Beach theater.

Captivates Henry

Barbara Pearson, the pretty class president who captivates Henry, is portrayed by Barbara Wallace of Fresno. Miss Wallace was with the Laguna Beach players last summer and recently played the title role in "Jane Eyre" at the Garrick Little Theater in Fresno.

Val Weithoff, teacher of history and biology at Porterville college, will make his Barn theater appearance as Mr. Bradley, principal of Central high and the most menacing figure in Henry's life.

Newcomer

Mr. Nelson, the understanding assistant principal, is characterized by Jim Keatley, who recently arrived from Columbia, Ohio, to spend the summer working in the Barn theater and who was a friend of Director Pete Tewksbury during the time that they served in the army.

Cattle Club

Members of the Tulare-Kings County Jeresy Cattle club will hold a potluck luncheon meeting Saturday evening, July 9, with the Fresno-Madera club at the R. L. Thomas ranch, Sanger. The ranch is north of Reedly, the first house on Turner after turning west off Reed avenue.

Next meeting of the Tular-Kings group is set for Monday evening, July 11, in the Farm Bureau office, Visalia.

BAD CHECK

A charge of issuing a $600 check without sufficient funds has been filed in Porterville Justice court by John G. Mainord against James Stevenson Watkins, Porterville.

BATTERY

A court trial, in Porterville Justice court, is scheduled July 14, in the case of Leo Henderson, who is charged with battery by Jim Hanson, the charges arising from an altercation, July 4, in Bradley's at Poplar.

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Mosquito Abatement District Yes or No

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than five trustees, named by the county board of supervisors, however, if an incorporated area is included, the governing body of that area also names a district board member.

Tax Provision

Maximum tax rate of the district, is 40 cents on each $100 of assessed valuation. The district board can request a tax levy up to 15 cents, without questioning by the board of supervisors; amounts over that figure are subject to change by the board of supervisors, the body that actually levies and collects the abatement district taxes, Through a special election, a tax of greater than 40 cents can be levied.

If a district complies with regulations of the State Department of Public Health, 50 percent of the abatement district budget can be granted by the state for control of vector mosquitoes and of mosquito-born diseases. It is likely that state funds would be available for a mosquito abatement district in eastern Tulare county.

The Tulare district expected to spend $40,000 of local funds in the fiscal year of 1948-49 and expected to receive in addition, $36,400 from state allocations. For the same period, the Delta district expected to spend $58,120 of local money and to receive $31,500 from the state.

Basic Rights

Under the California Health and Safety code, representatives of a mosquito abatement district have the right to go on lands within the district and "take all necessary and proper steps for the extermination of mosquitoes, flies and other insects either in the district or in territory not in the district but so situated that mosquitoes, flies or other insects from such territory migrate into the district."

The district also has power, subject to control by city and county, to "abate as nuisances all stagnant pools of water and other breeding places for mosquitoes, flies and other insects."

Is It Worth Cost?

Also within scope of the district is "destruction and extermination" of rats.

To summarize the situation, control of mosquitoes is desireable from a health and convenience standpoint.

A mosquito abatement district provides the facilities for control.

The question: Is control worth the cost? Go ahead, and check the page 1 ballot.

Olympic Games

The state of California is ready to spend $1,000,000 on the 1952 Olympic games if Finland gives up the games and if they are then awarded to a California city.

Provisions for expenditure of this money to prepare for the games was made by the state legislature.

Charles Hammer, Springville and Kyle Boyer, Porterville, are home on furlough from the United States navy. Both boys have just returned from the Orient where they witnessed the recent fighting around Shanghai.

Raymond Husted Praises Show

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worth of the Ducor 4-H club, sold for 43 cents per pound. Sandra is the daughter of Freeland and Evelyn Farnsworth, of the well-known Acehi Polled Hereford ranch.

"The reserve champion steer was a Shorthorn (bred by Joe Menne of Ducor) shown by Dale Gill (son of Vernon Gill) a very thick, smooth animal, and sold at 37 cents. John Dennis, (son of Wilbur Dennis) of the Ducor 4-H club, had the heaviest and probably the fattest steer of the show, which sold for 36 cents.

"A number of other steers also sold up around that figure. The average price was about 35 cents—probably nearly 9 cents above the market for such animals.

"The buyers were mostly Porterville business houses, clubs and individuals, and they certainly gave the sale wonderful support. Rolla Bishop (Poland China swine and Tennesseee Walking horses) sure did a great job of getting prospective buyers lined up ahead of the sale, and actually was the last bidder on about 14 head of the 25 steers sold. It undoubtedly took a lot of preliminary work to do this, as did the other preparations for the show and sale by individual members of other committees, but it surely paid off at the sale.

"Ralph Hooper, agricultural teacher at Porterville high school, headed up the Future Farmers on their program, and was on the job all the time. Practically all of the Ducor 4-H fathers and mothers were on deck boosting several of the dad's bidding on the cattle, and buying several.

"It certainly is a wonderful thing for the juniors to have the interest and support given them as is the case at Porterville, and the boys and girls of that section should consider themselves very fortunate to live in such an environment. The groups of club leaders and ag. teachers are in there pitching all the time.

"Is our American way of life OK? I'll say it is, and it warm's ones heart to see such exhibitions of the value of it as shown at Porterville. It sure burns me up to turn the pages of our local papers nearly every day and read about men and women here in this good old USA who apparently think everything we do locally and nationally is wrong. They seem to be trying to upset our way of life and the opportunities that exist for the younger generation, which now appear to me to be about as good—anyhow along livestock and agriculture lines—as they ever were."

TO PRISON

Ed. Blankenship, 34, Visalia rancher, and Arthur Stokes, 32, Tulare, were this week sentenced to San Quentin prison by Superior Court Judge Frank Lambertson on charges of hog stealing.

MARKER WILL BE PLACED SUNDAY AT TULARE COUNTY ELECTION TREE

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1852, a group of adventurers, speculators and persons ambitious to hold public office, got together with the idea of forming a county in the "Four Creeks" district. At that time, the area that was to become Tulare county had practically no white population, other than occasional travelers and prospectors, however, the southern part of Mariposa county was cut off and Tulare county was set up as incuding practically all of the southern San Joaquin valley.

In the actual election to form the county, two polling places were established, one at Pool's Ferry on the Kings river, the other under a large oak at Woodsville, east of the present town of Visalia. Commissioners conducting the election were: James D. Savage, M. B. Lewis, John Boling and W. H. McMillen.

Votes cast totalled 58 at Pool's Ferry and 51 at Woodsville. Officers elected were: Walter H. Harvey, county judge; F. H. Sanford, county attorney; Alonzo Edwards, county clerk; William Dill, sheriff; J. C. Frankenberger, treasurer and W. H. McMillen, coroner.

Election results indicate that the Mariposa adventurers pretty well divided the offices among themselves, then, following the election, returned to Mariposa, several of them to eventually meet violent deaths.

Edwards was killed during a quarrel at Mariposa; Major Savage was killed in a fight with Judge Harvey and Dr. Everettwas killed in a gambling quarrel at Woodsville.

Until special acts of the state legislature provided supervisors for the county, actual administration was handled through the Court of Sessions, first opened on October 4, 1852. Judge Harvey presided and W. J. Cambell and Loomis St. John, justices of the peace, acted as associate judges.

First county seat was Woodsville and the first county courthouse was a cabin constructed by an early pioneer named Woods, who had been skinned while still alive by a band of Kaweah Indians following a fight with these Indians.

In 1856, the county of Fresno was organized from the northern part of Tulare county and in 1866, the counties of Kern and Inyo Merced counties and in 1866 the counties of Kern and Inyo were formed from the southern and eastern parts of Tulare county and the northern part of Los Angeles county.

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